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Patent Document Cited in Search Report	Patent Family Member		
WO 97/45796	AU 32838/97	NZ 333112	
WO 98/49658	AU 72726/98		
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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 27280WOP00	FOR FURTHER ACTION See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416).			
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III Non-establishme	ent of opinion with regar	rd to novelty, inventive	step and industrial applicability	
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I.	Basis of the report
1.	With regard to the elements of the international application:*
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V.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement				
1.	Statement				
	Novelty (N)	Claims 1-12	YES		
		Claims	NO		
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-12	YES		
		Claims	NO		
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-12	YES		
		Claims	NO		

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The following documents identified in the International Search Report have been considered relevant for the purposes of this report:

WO 97/45796; and WO 98/49658.

Novelty (N) Claims 1-12

All the documents cited in the ISR were category A only. Therefore the claimed invention is not disclosed in any of these patent documents and hence all the claims are novel.

Inventive Step (IS) Claims 1-12

The claimed invention is not obvious in the light of any of the cited documents nor disclosed in any obvious combination, nor would the claimed invention be obvious to a person skilled in the art in the light of common general knowledge by itself or in combination with any of these documents.